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- 2 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Good morning, everybody.
- 3 Welcome to the Permitting and Enforcement Committee
- 4 meeting.
- 5 We'll start out with a roll call.
- 6 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Here.
- 8 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA. Here.
- 10 SECRETARY FARRELL: Roberti?
- 11 Paparian?
- 12 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Here.
- 13 And then before we get going, any ex partes, Mr.
- 14 Jones?
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Just a hello to Mr. Gene
- 16 Cola from Orange County.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Mr. Medina?
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: None to report.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: And I have none to report.
- 20 We are hopefully expecting Senator Roberti
- 21 shortly. So I think as we take votes, we may hold open
- 22 the roll call in anticipation of his getting here.
- 23 As I mentioned at the May board meeting, we're
- 24 planning on having some informational workshops over the
- 25 next few months. And I think we have an agenda item to

- 1 talk about that at the end of our agenda here today.
- 2 This month Julie and her staff have prepared an
- 3 agenda item on landfill capacity. And that's the first of
- 4 these sort of informational items about things that are
- 5 going on.
- 6 I think I'll just move things along and turn it
- 7 over, Julie.
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Thank you.
- 9 Good morning, Mr. Chairman and Committee members.
- 10 Julie Nauman with the Permitting and Enforcement Division.
- 11 Let me start with giving you kind of my deputy
- 12 report for the month of June, some updates and then some
- 13 information about some activities that the division is
- 14 currently involved with.
- With respect to the Committee's workload, we're
- 16 looking at about 22 permits coming before you in the
- 17 July-August timeframe. We're also expecting a lot of
- 18 activity in the regulatory area.
- 19 In February you directed us to implement options
- 20 to address alternative daily cover. And so we're going to
- 21 be starting some informal workshops in that effort. Those
- 22 are tentatively scheduled now for June 26th and July 11th.
- 23 And as I said, that will start the informal rule-making
- 24 process addressing EDC State minimum standards. We
- 25 anticipate coming back to the Committee to ask for

1 direction to start the formal 45-day comment period

- 2 probably later this summer or early fall.
- 3 Another package to give you an update on is the
- 4 construction demolition and the inert debris processing or
- 5 Phase 1 of our C&D regs. These were noticed on May 31st
- 6 and the comment period will end on July 15th. Staff will
- 7 bring the regulations to the Committee on August 8th
- 8 asking for a 15-day notice. This will also act as the
- 9 public hearing for that package. Workshops for this
- 10 package are tentatively scheduled for July 22nd in
- 11 Sacramento and on July 31st in Diamond Bar to give
- 12 stakeholders another opportunity to provide comments to
- 13 the staff prior to the August 8th Committee meeting.
- 14 We expect the tire monofill regulations to be
- 15 noticed by the middle of the month.
- And, finally, the nonhazardous, nonputrescible
- 17 regulations were approved by the Office of Administrative
- 18 Law on May 23rd and the regulations were immediately put
- 19 into effect.
- I also wanted to bring to the Committee's
- 21 attention and to the attention of the public a regulations
- 22 status report that we have posted on our web site. And we
- 23 have copies for the Committee members that Bob can make
- 24 available to you today. And the public can access this at
- 25 the Board's web page under LEA Central Regs Status.

1 And this gives you the list of regulatory

- 2 packages that we're currently working on and some
- 3 projected dates of activity from June through November.
- 4 And on this chart you will see that there is a
- 5 lot of activity that we're projecting beginning in August
- 6 and then continuing into September and October, where
- 7 you'll be seeing packages coming back for a 15-day comment
- 8 period, coming back for public hearings, and ultimately
- 9 coming back for your review prior to going to the Board
- 10 for adoption.
- I seem to be fading. So I'll just talk louder.
- 12 Okay. So that's it on regulations.
- 13 A couple of other things of note.
- 14 Our cleanup program. On May 29th, the Solid
- 15 Waste Cleanup Program staff participated in a meeting with
- 16 CalEPA Border Zone Office, Board Member Medina, the Water
- 17 Board and the City of San Diego regarding the problem of
- 18 trash accumulation in the Tijuana River Valley. Program
- 19 staff continues to work with agencies on targeted outreach
- 20 for cleanup of illegal disposal sites in the area.
- 21 In addition, the program is providing limited
- 22 technical assistance to Border Zone coordinators in their
- 23 efforts to improve solid waste management in Tijuana. And
- 24 as you all know, this area is a major source of trash
- 25 accumulation on the California side due to storm water

- 1 runoff.
- 2 Another issue related to border environmental
- 3 compliance activity is our involvement with various
- 4 meetings that have been held over the last several months
- 5 involving three different groups addressing environmental
- 6 compliance at the Board.
- 7 The first of these is the Border Environmental
- 8 Compliance Workshops. This is a group that meets annually
- 9 and includes U.S. and Mexican Federal and State government
- 10 officials.
- 11 There is the California Border Environmental
- 12 Enforcement Task Force, which meets quarterly. This group
- 13 is comprised of U.S. and State enforcement officials
- 14 discussing specific enforcement cases.
- 15 The final group is the California Baja California
- 16 Subworking Group for Hazardous and Solid Waste. This
- 17 group meets quarterly and involves CalEPA and our BDOs
- 18 along with officials from San Diego, Tijuana and Mexicali.
- 19 One of the issues that they are discussing
- 20 currently is the concern over tire piles in the -- on the
- 21 Mexican side of the Mexican side of the border.
- 22 Obviously, this falls into our tire program purview. But
- 23 through the Permitting and Enforcement Division, our staff
- 24 has become involved in these working groups addressing the
- 25 enforcement side of these issues.

1 So actually as we talk a little bit later about

- 2 issues for workshop discussion with the Board, this whole
- 3 area of border enforcement compliance may be of interest
- 4 to the Committee in hearing more about.
- 5 Related also to enforcement I wanted to mention
- 6 to you that there is a CalEPA enforcement web site. And
- 7 CalEPA has established this enforcement web site, and each
- 8 of the BDOs is working to link our on-line enforcement
- 9 data to that site. Staff is evaluating the various
- 10 enforcement web pages on our current Board web site and
- 11 will be providing recommendations on how to best meet the
- 12 expectations of the agency to provide the link back to the
- 13 CalEPA enforcement web site.
- 14 The final things I'd like to mention this morning
- 15 is this year's annual LEA-CIWMB Conference, which is
- 16 scheduled for August of this year. We're ready to go.
- 17 Registration is open. I believe your offices have been
- 18 notified and we'll continue to work with you to
- 19 accommodate your participation. We're pleased with the
- 20 venue and we're hoping that this year's conference will
- 21 be, of course, better than ever. The Steering Committee
- 22 has worked very hard over the last few months and put
- 23 together a full agenda. In addition, we'll be bringing in
- 24 new keynote speakers who will present informative and
- 25 entertaining topics.

1 Not only will the conference focus on regulatory

- 2 issues, as it traditionally does, but we're seeking to
- 3 bring in new and informative topics to the conference such
- 4 as a session on bioterrorism and another on conversion
- 5 technologies.
- 6 We're also looking to try something different
- 7 this year and plan to host a two-hour exhibitor show on
- 8 the first day of the conference following the opening
- 9 luncheon. And this will be a great opportunity to
- 10 discover new and the latest landfill-related products and
- 11 services that are available. We're still receiving
- 12 responses from vendors and are open to any suggestions and
- 13 contacts you board members or the public may be able to
- 14 help us make with such vendors.
- 15 And always I have to give ourselves a plug for
- 16 this one. We continue to support our theme of a
- 17 paper-less conference. The Board may recall that the LEA
- 18 Conference was the first Board-sponsored conference that
- 19 went paperless a couple of years ago and that we don't
- 20 produce a conference binder; we provide all the materials
- 21 available to conference attendees on the web site for
- 22 their review prior to attending the conference and for
- 23 their self determination whether to print or not to print
- 24 those documents to bring with them.
- 25 So we know that others have followed that lead

1 and we continue to support the paperless conference

- 2 concept.
- 3 So with that, if there aren't any questions, I
- 4 think we're probably ready to begin the Board's -- or the
- 5 Committee's agenda.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Any questions of Ms.
- 7 Nauman?
- No.
- 9 I think we're planning to take one item out of
- 10 order.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Yes. We would like --
- 12 with the Committee's indulgence, we would like to take up
- 13 Item J, which is Board Item 73. And this is an Update on
- 14 the Permit Application Submittal Schedule Pilot Program.
- And Mark De Bie will make the presentation.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: And then after this we'll
- 17 go back to the order as originally on the agenda.
- MR. De BIE: Good morning, Board Members --
- 19 Committee Members. This is Mark De Bie with the
- 20 Permitting and Inspection Branch.
- This item is an update. It's a discussion item.
- 22 There is no action required of the Committee today.
- 23 As you may recall, in December of 2001 the Board
- 24 adopted a pilot program, which we're now referring to as
- 25 PASS or Permit Application Submittal Schedule.

1 And the basic parameters of this pilot were to

- 2 affect some change relative to the permit process and how
- 3 applications are processed relative to milestones' time
- 4 frames.
- 5 The basic parameters of the pilot was to indicate
- 6 to operators and LEA's that it was the desire of the Board
- 7 to have applications submitted by applicants to the LEAs
- 8 on the last Monday of each month. In doing so, working
- 9 out the permit processing time frames with the calendar
- 10 and the Board's meeting schedule, more often than not this
- 11 would allow the Board to have close to the 60 days that is
- 12 allowed them through statute to review and process the
- 13 permit for Board action.
- 14 The pilot program was put into place in January
- 15 and staff began tracking the milestones relative to
- 16 applications that were submitted in January.
- 17 In that tracking, we didn't just track the
- 18 submittal dates of the application, but what were also
- 19 tracking time frames throughout the permit process because
- 20 the pilot also spoke to other aspects of the permitting
- 21 process; for example, the pilot program indicated that
- 22 LEAs should try as best they could to time their submittal
- 23 of proposed permits to the Board so that close to the 60
- 24 days would be allowed the Board as well as continuing to
- 25 encourage LEAs to submit draft permits as early as

1 possible to Board staff so they could begin their review

- 2 of the proposed permit in a draft form.
- 3 And then also one of the main parameters was to
- 4 encourage LEAs to continue to submit complete packages to
- 5 the Board and try to do that as early as possible.
- 6 The 60 days time frame for the Board is timed on
- 7 receipt of a proposed permit. So the pilot encouraged the
- 8 LEAs to submit all of the supporting documentation to the
- 9 Board earlier than when the proposed permit came up so
- 10 that the review could be again.
- 11 So today I'd like to report on what we've seen
- 12 occur since January.
- 13 Since January, we've been tracking 14
- 14 applications that have been submitted. Of the 14, only
- 15 three were actually received in and around the last Monday
- 16 of the month.
- 17 However, LEAs have been able to find flexibility
- 18 in their process to ensure that the proposed permits are
- 19 submitted to the Board in a timely fashion. And of all of
- 20 the permits that were scheduled to be heard at this
- 21 Committee meeting, permits that were scheduled to be heard
- 22 at this Committee meeting, all of them were submitted --
- 23 the proposed permits were submitted by the LEAs within
- 24 four business days of the 60-day date set out by the
- 25 Board.

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1 So what we're seeing is that not all the
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- 2 applicants are participating fully in the pilot in terms
- 3 of timing their submittal, but certainly the LEAs are
- 4 making an effort to ensure that the proposed permits are
- 5 submitted in a fashion that gives the Board maximum time.
- 6 All of the LEAs that submitted proposed permits
- 7 for June also made an effort to submit draft permits in a
- 8 timely fashion as well as submitting the permit packages,
- 9 the report of facility information and their findings
- 10 early on, too.
- 11 So in summary or in conclusion, I want to
- 12 indicate that we're not finding full participation among
- 13 applicants or operators submitting applications. Board
- 14 staff will send a message out again through the LEAs to
- 15 applicants that the Board does have a pilot program and
- 16 encourage them to participate.
- 17 But we are finding LEAs for the most part are
- 18 fully participating in the pilot program at this time.
- 19 In terms of benefits, I personally perceive some
- 20 benefit. In the packages or the agenda items that I've
- 21 seen, at least for this month, which is the first month
- 22 that we have packages coming through, based on the pilot
- 23 they tend to be much more complete than in the past, and I
- 24 think that's a sign that staff are getting the information
- 25 early and are able to complete their review and put

1 together a complete agenda item in a more timely fashion.

- 2 Any questions?
- 3 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Mr. Jones.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: I have a question, Mr.
- 5 Paparian.
- 6 You said that the LEAs are submitting theirs on
- 7 time, but operators aren't? I mean the LEA is the one
- 8 that submits a permit, right?
- 9 MR. De BIE: Correct. The pilot program was set
- 10 up to start with the submittal of an application to the
- 11 LEA on the last Monday of the month. That's how the
- 12 calendar starts. And what we're finding is applications
- 13 are not being submitted on that last Monday. But LEAs are
- 14 finding some flexibility in their process. So even if
- 15 they get them in some other time during the month, they're
- 16 able to either shrink their time frame or work with the
- 17 operator to expand their time frame in such a way that
- 18 they submit the proposed permit in a timely fashion.
- 19 So in some cases time frames have been waived
- 20 because if there are still discussions going on with the
- 21 LEA and the operator, incomplete packages, those sorts of
- 22 things. So the proposed permits are coming in on time.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: The operator when he's
- 24 working with an LEA may give them part of that as a
- 25 heads-up. Are you saying that it's that part of the

- 1 process that there's a problem?
- 2 You're confusing me, Mark, because as an operator
- 3 it's an ongoing system with the LEA. And it's when that
- 4 LEA has all the information clarified that they feel that
- 5 that's when they've accepted a completed package. But
- 6 that may take three or four months of work between the LEA
- 7 and the operator. But the message I'm getting from you is
- 8 that somehow that part is not working locally.
- 9 MR. De BIE: I don't want to say it's not
- 10 working. I'm just looking at time frames. Again, the
- 11 pilot was based on a submittal of an application. It's
- 12 just the application form and all the supporting
- 13 documentation on the last Monday of the month we're not
- 14 seeing that happening. I can't tell you how operators and
- 15 LEAs are able to work out the process so that the LEAs are
- 16 able to submit the proposed permit. I'm sure it various
- 17 in cases. As you know, that once the application is
- 18 submitted to the LEA, they are to receive it and then
- 19 within 30 days deem it complete or not.
- 20 And so that process, sometimes applications are
- 21 being deemed complete within a matter of days because the
- 22 LEA and the operator have been working out details
- 23 informally. And so the LEA doesn't need to take a full 30
- 24 days to deem it complete. And in that way they're gaining
- 25 some efficiency in their process.

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1 So I'm sure in many cases there are informal
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- 2 things going on between LEA's and operators to work out
- 3 the time frames. So I don't think the fact that
- 4 applications are not being submitted on the last Monday of
- 5 the month is an indication that the pilot isn't being
- 6 adhered to. I think the true measure is that whatever
- 7 system the LEAs and operators have worked out, it has
- 8 resulted in the LEA's ability to submit proposed permits
- 9 in such a way that the Board gets very close to the 60
- 10 days. And I think that was pretty much the intent of the
- 11 pilot program was to --
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: It was, but that's not
- 13 what I understood from your report or your summary of the
- 14 report.
- 15 So that makes sense.
- MR. De BIE: Okay.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Now, this is a pilot
- 18 program. Presumably at some point then we determine
- 19 whether we want to establish this as an ongoing program.
- 20 MR. De BIE: Yes. The way the presentation was
- 21 made when the Board adopted this pilot program was that we
- 22 would run through a pilot for a year, analyze the results
- 23 of the pilot, and then potentially come back to the Board
- 24 with a recommendation on whether to continue it, modify
- 25 it. But there was also discussion about potentially

1 modifying regulations to incorporate at least some aspects

- 2 of the pilot, the successful aspects.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Right. The thing that
- 4 struck me is that if we wait until after the full year and
- 5 then analyze the pilot, then we'll be operating it some
- 6 time without this sort of schedule in place and available
- 7 to the LEAs.
- 8 So my question is: Do we want to somehow
- 9 establish an early 2003 schedule to continue the pilot as
- 10 we're evaluating the one year's worth of information?
- 11 MR. De BIE: I think that's a viable option.
- 12 And, you know, it would be up to the desire of the Board
- 13 on how formal or informal they want to do that. But it
- 14 will take some time for staff to assist to figure out the
- 15 success of the pilot, you know, because there are -- we're
- 16 seeing permits in June that were submitted in January. So
- 17 you can see there's time frames, you know, that are
- 18 extended.
- 19 So certainly, we can bring an item forward
- 20 towards the end of the year that speaks to extending the
- 21 pilot for an additional amount of time to fill the gap.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Yeah, I think you might
- 23 actually want to come forward a few months from that,
- 24 because the last deadline in here is December for
- 25 acceptance of an application from an operator. I would

1 imagine the operators might need a little lead time for

- 2 their planning purposes. So that if we wanted to have,
- 3 you know, a continuation of this without a gap, you might
- 4 be thinking about September or October.
- 5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: I would tend to agree
- 6 with him. I think it would be helpful to provide an
- 7 opportunity, too, for the operators and the LEAs to enter
- 8 into a dialogue with the Board so that you can get the
- 9 benefit of their thoughts on how this pilot has worked or
- 10 what obstacles they see in it. So that as we're planning
- 11 for 2003, we can take those comments into account even if
- 12 we decide to kind of continue the pilot while we're
- 13 formalizing it.
- 14 Certainly it would be helpful to get some
- 15 feedback from the stakeholders and the operators and the
- 16 LEAs.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Mr. Jones.
- 18 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Mr. Paparian.
- 19 Maybe between you and Justin, you can find some
- 20 time at the LEA conference to at least talk about this.
- 21 Because if you're getting -- if you, as staff, are getting
- 22 a completed permit in a timely fashion, then that was the
- 23 intent of this policy.
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: It certainly was, to get
- 25 a more complete package and to get the additional time.

1 And then in order to do that, we established this calendar

- 2 that then set a date. But the date of submittal isn't the
- 3 critical point.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Yeah. I mean, I'd
- 5 really like to hear from the LEAs at some point because
- 6 this is -- I mean I see Dave Albin sitting out there. He
- 7 and I only did about five or six permits together. They
- 8 take time to work through. And what I'm getting is that
- 9 somehow we're not recognizing that, you know, irregardless
- 10 of when that first contact is or the permit application is
- 11 with the LEA, in most cases it's a process that's taken a
- 12 lot of time to get there and in some cases maybe it
- 13 hasn't. And that's -- and that would be information that
- 14 would be valuable, but -- I mean permits take a long time
- 15 to work out locally before they ever get to a position
- 16 where an LEA has deemed it complete, because the LEA does
- 17 have that opportunity to deem an application complete
- 18 prior to acceptance. That takes a lot of pieces. And I'm
- 19 just worried about, you know, part of what I've heard in
- 20 this summary that somehow there's an impression that that
- 21 local interaction isn't working because of some deadline
- 22 and not taking into account the work that goes into one of
- 23 these ahead of time.
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Yeah. No, I think, you
- 25 know, the staff shares your appreciation that it does take

- 1 a considerable amount of time to get to that point. I
- 2 think, you know, in Mark's report he was attempting to
- 3 report back, you know, objective numbers of points of
- 4 activity based on the schedule that we reported. But I
- 5 don't think he meant to imply that, you know, in some way
- 6 there was less cooperation going on between the LEAs and
- 7 the operators; but just merely the observation that if
- 8 you'd just look at the calendar itself, many of the
- 9 applications were not submitted on that day. But that
- 10 tells us something about the pilot project that we've set
- 11 up. And those kinds of things are instructive to us as we
- 12 look to the future. And maybe we don't put as much
- 13 emphasis on the day the LEA gets the application from the
- 14 operator. And as you said earlier, the real objective was
- 15 to ensure that we had more time.
- MR. De BIE: Yes, I agree. And I think having
- 17 something at the conference if possible might give us an
- 18 opportunity to interview LEAs that have gone through the
- 19 pilot and better understand what the local process is that
- 20 allows them to submit things timely given that they didn't
- 21 get them necessarily in a timely fashion just looking at
- 22 dates.
- 23 So I think we can explore that and develop that
- 24 side of things so that when we do bring something forward
- 25 to potentially extend the pilot, we can maybe better focus

1 on what worked and didn't work and have that as an aspect

- 2 of even the extension.
- 3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay. So we'll plan to
- 4 bring something back to you for further discussion around
- 5 September.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Good.
- 7 Mr. Medina.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Yes. Of the 14
- 9 applications that have been received since -- I mean 14
- 10 applications since January and three received, have you
- 11 done follow-up on the remaining 11 to find out why they
- 12 did not come forth?
- 13 MR. De BIE: We have not, no. We can do that
- 14 perhaps in conjunction with the LEAs to sort that out.
- 15 Basically, we've been tracking just the time frames as
- 16 things come through the process, the different milestones,
- 17 but haven't had an opportunity to sort of examine each
- 18 case to find out what the particulars were relative to
- 19 them that resulted in the timing. But we can explore that
- 20 I think with the LEAs.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: I think we need to do
- 22 that.
- MR. De BIE: And if we can't get an explanation
- 24 through the LEAs, which I think we can, then we can extend
- 25 that out to operators and see what their thinking was,

- 1 certainly.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: And since we've gone to
- 3 the committee system, has staff had sufficient time to do
- 4 a thorough review of these applications?
- 5 MR. De BIE: There has been some shrinking of our
- 6 time frames to get items to the Board. The pilot has
- 7 certainly helped us in compensating for the shortening of
- 8 the time frames to some extent. Again, in my view, based
- 9 on what I'm seeing coming through me for my review, is the
- 10 items first time through seem to be more complete than
- 11 they have been in the past.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay. That will take us
- 14 back to Item B on our agenda. And this is consideration
- 15 of a revised full solid waste facility permit transfer
- 16 processing station for the Western Placer Waste Management
- 17 Authority Materials Recovery Facility located in Placer
- 18 County.
- 19 And Christie Karl will make the presentation.
- MS. KARL: Good morning.
- 21 The Western Placer Waste Management Authority is
- 22 proposing to change the hours of waste processing and
- 23 receipt for their materials recovery facility in
- 24 Roseville.
- 25 All findings that are within the power and

1 authority of the Board have been made by staff. And the

- 2 permit is consistent with State minimum standards.
- 3 Therefore, Board staff recommend the Board concurrence on
- 4 Solid Waste Facility Permit 31-AA-0001, Resolution Number
- 5 2002-278.
- 6 The LEA is here if you have any questions.
- 7 And this concludes staff presentation.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Questions from members?
- 9 Mr. Jones.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: I'll move that the
- 11 Committee concur -- I don't want to screw this up the way
- 12 I say this.
- What is it? We're concurring with the
- 14 resolution?
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: It could be recommending
- 16 to the Board.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: And recommending.
- 18 Okay. We're concurring -- I move that we concur
- 19 with this permit application and move it forward to the
- 20 Board.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: On consent.
- 22 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: On consent.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Is there a second?
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. Secretary, call the

- 1 roll.
- 2 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 6 SECRETARY FARRELL: Paparian?
- 7 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 8 And let's hold that roll open for Senator Roberti
- 9 when we arrives.
- 10 The next item, Item C, 66 on the agenda, has been
- 11 pulled. So we'll --
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: That's correct, at the
- 13 request of the operator and LEA.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: So we'll move to D.
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Item D is consideration
- 16 a revised full solid waste facility permit disposal
- 17 facility for the Allied Imperial Landfill located in
- 18 Imperial County.
- 19 And Leslee Newton Reed will make the
- 20 presentation.
- MS. REED: Good morning.
- The Allied Imperial Landfill has proposed a
- 23 permit that would allow an increase in the tonnage from
- 24 699 peak tons per day to 1,135 tons per day, an increase
- 25 in the traffic volume from 123 vehicles per day to 274

- 1 vehicles per day, and allow a shredder on-site for
- 2 shredding green waste for use as alternate daily cover.
- 3 It has been brought to my attention that there
- 4 has been a mistake on Page 1 of the agenda item. The
- 5 proposed traffic volume shows 257 vehicles. It should be
- 6 274 vehicles.
- 7 Board staff has determined that all the
- 8 requirements have been met. Therefore, staff recommends
- 9 that the Board adopt Solid Waste Facility Permit Decision
- 10 2002-282 concurring in the issuance of Solid Waste
- 11 Facility Permit Number 13-AA-0019.
- 12 Representatives from the Imperial County LEA and
- 13 the operator are here to answer any of your questions.
- 14 That concludes staff presentation.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Any questions?
- 16 Is there a question?
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: No.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Mr. Medina, any questions?
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: No questions.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: I had a couple quick
- 21 questions, just out of curiosity.
- 22 There's an indication in the agenda item that
- 23 there's a certain amount of waste which must be returned
- 24 to the United States from cross-border commerce. What
- 25 does that mean?

- 1 MS REED: Mikela Doros.
- 2 Those are U.S. companies that do business in
- 3 Mexico. And because of that, they have to return the
- 4 waste to the California side.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Is that some sort of
- 6 requirement in the cross-border commerce, that the waste
- 7 they generate in the Mexican side has to be returned to
- 8 the U.S. side?
- 9 MS. REED: Yes.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. And then part of
- 11 the increase in tonnage was for C&D waste. Is there an
- 12 active effort to recover some of the C&D for recycling?
- 13 MS. REED: I don't know.
- 14 MR. QUICK: Good morning, Committee Members. My
- 15 name is Gerald Quick, contact person for the Imperial
- 16 County LEA.
- 17 In answer to your specific question, most C&D
- 18 waste, particularly in concrete, is being recycled in
- 19 Imperial County at the present time. Some of the lumber,
- 20 whether it's -- the traded lumbers aren't recycled at all.
- 21 And quite a bit of usable lumber is taken back across the
- 22 border for construction purposes in Mexicali.
- Does that answer your question?
- 24 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: So what's winding up for
- 25 disposal is pretty much stuff that is unrecycled -- after

- 1 it's been culled through for recycled materials?
- 2 MR. QUICK: For recyclable materials. Of course
- 3 a lot of lumber is broken up into such sizes that it can't
- 4 be recycled for any beneficial use.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN. Okay. Thank you.
- 6 Anything else?
- 7 Mr. Jones.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Mr. Paparian, I'll move
- 9 that we concur with Resolution 2002-282 for the Revised
- 10 Solid Waste Facility Permit for Allied Imperial Landfill,
- 11 with the corrected car count.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: I have a motion and a
- 14 second.
- 15 Secretary, call the roll.
- 16 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 18 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 20 SECRETARY FARRELL: Paparian?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 22 We'll hold that roll open with the intention that
- 23 that be for consent --
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Mr. Chairman, if the
- 25 members so desire, I think we ought to put it on consent.

1 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. We'll wait for

- 2 Senator Roberti's vote.
- Next.
- 4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay. Our next item,
- 5 Item E, is consideration of a revised full solid waste
- 6 facilities permit for disposal facility for the Frank R.
- 7 Bowerman Landfill located in Orange County.
- 8 And Tad Gebrehawariat will make the presentation.
- 9 MR. GEBREHAWARIAT: Good morning.
- 10 The proposed revised permit is to allow for the
- 11 following changes:
- 12 Increase the landfill footprint by 15 acres from
- 13 326 to 341 acres;
- 14 Increase the landfill permitted capacity by 10
- 15 million cubic yards, to a total permitted site capacity of
- 16 127 million cubic yards;
- 17 And change the estimate of the landfill closure
- 18 period from 2024 to 2022.
- 19 At the time the item was prepared the
- 20 presentation was as we have it in the table on page 68-4
- 21 of the agenda item, but all of the requirements for the
- 22 proposed permit were met. Since then, on May 30th, 2002,
- 23 we had information from the LEA that the special report
- 24 for the month of June 2002 will indicate a violation of
- 25 the terms and conditions of the permit because on May 29,

- 1 2002, the operator reported to them that the facility
- 2 operation received 8,947 tons of solid waste, which is 447
- 3 tons above the permitted level of 8,500 tons per day.
- 4 The LEA continues to monitor the tonnage level at
- 5 the landfill. We understand that there is a procedure in
- 6 place that was proposed by the operator and approved by
- 7 the LEA which aims at preventing the daily tonnage from
- 8 being exceeded.
- 9 The procedure apparently has been effective since
- 10 September 2001, the last time the facility operation was
- 11 cited by the LEA for violation of terms and conditions of
- 12 the permit for exceeding the daily tonnage.
- Because the LEA will continue to monitor and take
- 14 all necessary enforcement measures for effective
- 15 compliance and because the procedure the operator has in
- 16 place has otherwise been effective, staff recommends that
- 17 the Board adopt Solid Waste Facility Permit Decision
- 18 Number 2002-281, concurring with the issuance of Solid
- 19 Waste Facility Permit Number 30-AB-0360, Mr. Osama
- 20 Abusheban, the LEA engineer, and Mr. Mike Genecola, the
- 21 facility manager, are present to answer any questions you
- 22 may have.
- This concludes staff presentation.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Any questions?
- Mr. Jones.

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1 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Mr. Chair.
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- 2 I'd move concurrence with Resolution 2002-281 for
- 3 a revised full solid waste facilities permit for the Frank
- 4 Bowerman Landfill; and would suggest, if the members feel
- 5 so, to put it on consent at the Board meeting.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: We have a motion and a
- 8 second.
- 9 Secretary, call the roll.
- 10 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?
- 11 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 12 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
- 13 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 14 SECRETARY FARRELL: Paparian?
- 15 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye.
- We'll leave that roll open.
- Next.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Next is Item F. This is
- 19 consideration of Grant awards for the Farm and Ranch Solid
- 20 Waste Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2001-2.
- 21 Wes Mindermann will make the presentation.
- MR. MINDERMANN: Good morning, Mr. Chairman and
- 23 Members of the Committee.
- 24 This item presents consideration of Board staff
- 25 recommendation to award Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup

- 1 and Abatement Grant Program funds in the amount of
- 2 \$111,279 to four grantees for the 4th and final guarter of
- 3 Fiscal Year 2001/2002.
- 4 You may recall the Board adopted application and
- 5 scoring criteria and approved the grant award process for
- 6 the program back in January of 2002.
- 7 Regulations to implement the program were
- 8 approved by the Office of Administrative Law on June 29th,
- 9 2000.
- 10 Let's see here. I want to just outline the
- 11 scoring process briefly here.
- 12 Program staff first reviewed these applications
- 13 for completeness and eligibility. Only complete and
- 14 eligible applications are then scored using the
- 15 Board-approved scoring criteria by a panel consisting of
- 16 three Board staff.
- 17 A summary of the grant applications is presented
- 18 in Attachment 2 and can be summarized as follows:
- 19 A grant to the City of San Diego Solid Waste
- 20 Local Enforcement Agency to up four sites within the
- 21 Tijuana Valley River Regional Park. The cleanup will
- 22 result in picking up and disposing 3,000 to 4,000 cubic
- 23 yards of solid waste. The estimated grant is \$37,915.
- Just as a note, the grant is within the defined
- 25 southern California by the Board and is within the Border

- 1 Zone.
- 2 The second grant is a grant to Humboldt County to
- 3 clean up two agricultural properties resulting in the
- 4 cleanup of 170 to 275 cubic yards of solid waste. The
- 5 grant amount would be \$15,793.
- 6 The third grant is a grant to the Yolo County
- 7 Planning and Public Works Department. This grant -- this
- 8 proposal is to clean up approximately 760 miles of public
- 9 rights-of-way adjacent to agricultural property within
- 10 rural Yolo County. The County is estimating that they
- 11 will pick up 3,400 cubic yards of waste. And the grant
- 12 amount is about \$50,000. One unique aspect of this
- 13 proposal is the use of surveillance cameras to hopefully
- 14 record and prosecute illegal dumpers throughout the
- 15 county.
- 16 The fourth and final grant is to the Siskiyou
- 17 County Planning Department. It's to clean up one site,
- 18 one rural agricultural site in the county resulting in a
- 19 cleanup of 90 cubic yards plus 65 abandoned vehicles. The
- 20 grant request is \$7,571.
- 21 That concludes my presentation. Board staff are
- 22 recommending that the Board adopt -- let me see here, so I
- 23 get my resolution number -- Resolution Number 2002-293 to
- 24 award the grants for the cleanup of the sites pursuant to
- 25 the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant

- 1 Program.
- 2 That concludes my presentation. I'd be happy to
- 3 answer any questions.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Any questions?
- 5 Mr. Medina.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Of the 760 mile public
- 7 rights-of-way, are there any of them along side State
- 8 highways?
- 9 MR. MINDERMANN: No. Primarily they're the rural
- 10 and agricultural counties in -- rural and agricultural
- 11 areas in Yolo County. There's two -- or three State
- 12 highways. There's U.S. Highway 80. There's also I-5
- 13 through Yolo County. And then there's also State Highway
- 14 113. But these are primarily the agricultural roads off
- 15 to the side of those.
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Yeah.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: The surveillance equipment
- 18 you mentioned, will that belong to the county then or
- 19 would that be ours?
- 20 MR. MINDERMANN: What we had proposed is that the
- 21 county buy it using the grant funds, and then it'd be
- 22 returned to us for the use by other grantees under this
- 23 program.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Excellent.
- Mr. Jones.

1 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Mr. Paparian, now I know

- 2 this is going to end up going on our -- what did Mr. Eaton
- 3 call it?
- 4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Committee consent.
- 5 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Committee -- there was
- 6 another --
- 7 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Fiscal consent.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: All right. And that
- 9 will be a little presentation to the whole Board.
- 10 Okay. Mr. Chair, I'd move that we concur with
- 11 Resolution 2002-293 for the consideration of grant awards
- 12 for the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup, and if the
- 13 members so agree, put it on fiscal whatever -- consent.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Is there a second?
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Motion and a second.
- 17 Secretary, call the roll.
- 18 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 20 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 22 SECRETARY FARRELL: Paparian?
- 23 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye.
- We'll hold that roll open, too.
- Next.

1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay. That brings us to

- 2 Item G, which is consideration of the adoption of negative
- 3 declaration (State Clearinghouse Number 2002042146) and
- 4 the proposed regulations for the transfer processing of
- 5 putrescible wastes, or discussion and request for
- 6 direction on noticing revisions to the proposed
- 7 regulations for an additional 15-day comment period.
- 8 Bob Holmes will make the presentation.
- 9 MR. HOLMES: Good morning, Mr. Chair, Members of
- 10 the Committee.
- 11 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 12 presented as follows.)
- 13 MR. HOLMES: Back before you this month on this
- 14 rule making. Last month you held a public hearing and
- 15 directed staff to notice the regulations for an additional
- 16 15-day comment period. So I'm here today just to give you
- 17 a real quick background on the regs, and then let you know
- 18 what we found out during that 15-day comment period.
- 19 --00--
- 20 MR. HOLMES: This rule making regards the
- 21 acceptance of putrescible waste. About two years ago the
- 22 Board heard an issue -- an issue came to the Board's
- 23 attention on appeal of a proposed permit having to do with
- 24 the receipt of restaurant wastes. And it was argued at
- 25 the time that the receipt of that waste could pass the

- 1 Board's two-part test which is used to differentiate
- 2 between a recycling center, that is not subject to Board
- 3 Regulation, and a waste handler, who would be subject to
- 4 regulation.
- 5 And the Board determined that it was not the
- 6 intent of that test or those regulations to allow the
- 7 receipt of restaurant type waste, food wastes, putrescible
- 8 waste as we've come to refer to them, at a recycling
- 9 center. In other words, they wanted to have some level of
- 10 regulatory oversight over that kind of activity.
- 11 So it was the Board's direction to staff to adopt
- 12 emergency regulations.
- 13 ---00--
- 14 MR. HOLMES: Those emergency regulations add a
- 15 third part to the two-part test.
- 16 The first part being the material must be
- 17 separated for reuse. Second part, less than ten percent
- 18 residual. And now the third part, less than one percent
- 19 putrescible waste -- of the entire amount of material
- 20 received, less than one percent of it can be putrescible
- 21 waste.
- --00--
- 23 MR. HOLMES: Putrescible waste is defined -- this
- 24 is an existing definition. It's been on the books since
- 25 the seventies. And the emergency regulations did not

- 1 amend that definition.
- 2 --000--
- 3 MR. HOLMES: The Board adopted the emergency
- 4 regulations in April 2001. There was a six-month delayed
- 5 effective date. So they became effective on April 13th
- 6 and are in effect now.
- 7 --000--
- 8 MR. HOLMES: Emergency regulations are valid only
- 9 for a limited time unless we make them permanent. So we
- 10 have begun the permanent rule making.
- 11 One of the changes between the permanent rule
- 12 making and the emergency regulations is this language in
- 13 red on the bottom here. We are saying now in addition to
- 14 having it being less than one percent putrescible wastes,
- 15 that putrescible waste cannot cause a nuisance as
- 16 determined by the EA.
- 17 This was put in comments during the 45-day
- 18 comment period, mostly from the local enforcement arena,
- 19 local enforcement agencies saying sometimes they have
- 20 difficulty in verifying that one percent, either the
- 21 physical measurement of that or, in fact, getting access
- 22 to the activity and cooperation on part of that activity.
- 23 So now in any case, if they cannot verify the one
- 24 percent through measurement, if there is a nuisance caused
- 25 by that material, they would also fail the test. And they

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1 would be subjected to regulation.
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- 2 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Can I just ask a question
- 3 on that point?
- 4 MR. HOLMES: Sure.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: I think I've got it
- 6 straight, but just to be sure.
- 7 Under that definition you couldn't have, say,
- 8 five -- you couldn't argue that you have five percent but
- 9 it's not a nuisance. You still would have -- you'd have
- 10 to meet the one percent?
- 11 MR. HOLMES: Correct.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay.
- 13 MR. HOLMES: Correct.
- 14 Also, one other point of clarification in the
- 15 definition of putrescible waste in the permanent rule
- 16 making, we are including language that specifies that the
- 17 enforcement agency shall determine on a case-by-case basis
- 18 what is putrescible wastes. That's because this
- 19 definition has some subjectivity inherent in it, and so
- 20 somebody needs to make the conclusive determination. And
- 21 so we are relying on the EA's to make that determination.
- --00--
- MR. HOLMES: The inclusion of the one-percent
- 24 language is the largest change. There are a few others
- 25 within the package that we're doing. We're trying to

- 1 clarify the relationship between chipping and grinding
- 2 operations in a separate rule making. We have included
- 3 it -- definition of regional produce distribution center
- 4 that is not subject to regulation. This is a grocery
- 5 store callback situation. We are cleaning up language
- 6 having to do with the separation of activities at --
- 7 operations that are not subject to Board regulation and
- 8 also with regard to the burden of proof on passing the
- 9 three-part test.
- 10 --000--
- 11 MR. HOLMES: The 45-day comment period for this
- 12 permanent set of rule making began on March 1st and ran
- 13 through April 15th. You heard the public hearing last
- 14 month, and directed staff to go out for additional 15-day
- 15 comment period. That began on the 20th and ended on June
- 16 4th.
- 17 We received two comment letters during this
- 18 subsequent 15-day comment period. One was from a
- 19 manufacturer and was more of a request to determine
- 20 whether or not they would be subject to the regulations.
- 21 And so we were able to discuss that with them and assure
- 22 them that they would not be subject to regulation, that
- 23 they made the current definition of manufacturer.
- 24 And the other was a letter of support, as the
- 25 regulations were noticed for the 15-day comment period.

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- 2 MR. HOLMES: So we are prepared -- one other
- 3 thing. On CEQA, we circulated the negative declaration
- 4 from May 1st through May 31st and received no comment.
- 5 --00--
- 6 MR. HOLMES: The options before you are to adopt
- 7 the Neg Dec and the proposed regs, direct us to make
- 8 additional revisions to the regs, and go out for an
- 9 additional notice period or other actions consistent with
- 10 your direction.
- 11 --000--
- 12 MR. HOLMES: So we are in a position -- your
- 13 staff report does not contain a recommendation because the
- 14 comment period was still open at the time that went to
- 15 print. But we are now in a position to recommend adoption
- 16 of the Negative Declaration and the regulations. Those
- 17 are Resolution Numbers 2002-276 for the Neg Dec and
- 18 2002-277 for the regulations.
- 19 That concludes my comments.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: I didn't mention at the
- 21 beginning of this hearing that there are speakers slips in
- 22 the back of the room. I haven't received any on this
- 23 item. But just to be sure, are there any public comments
- 24 on this item before we move forward?
- Okay. Any questions?

- 1 Mr. Jones.
- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Mr. Paparian, first, I
- 3 want to congratulate our staff for working through this
- 4 and getting it done. And you did a good job of bringing
- 5 everybody together.
- I want to move concurrence with Resolution
- 7 2002-276, which is a consideration of adoption of a Neg
- 8 Dec through the State Clearinghouse, 2002042146, and the
- 9 proposed regs. And request for -- okay. So that's --
- 10 this is on the regs, right?
- 11 Anyway, 276.
- 12 And also move concurrence with Resolution
- 13 2002-277.
- 14 And would ask that, if the Committee feels
- 15 comfortable, put it on consent.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. We have a motion on
- 17 two resolutions.
- 18 Is there a second?
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Second on both of them.
- 21 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Mr. Paparian?
- 22 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: And if we can't put it
- 24 on a consent, we won't.
- 25 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Right.

1 I just wanted to make sure that you were going to

- 2 take two separate votes, one for the Neg Dec and one for
- 3 moving the item ahead and then these wouldn't be on
- 4 consent.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. Let's do those --
- 6 we'll just do them one at a time here.
- 7 First --
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: I move concurrence of
- 9 Resolution 2002-276.
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. On 2002-276,
- 12 Secretary, call the roll.
- 13 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY FARRELL: Paparian?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Mr. Chair, I'll move
- 20 adoption of Resolution 2002-277.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: A motion and a second on
- 23 2002-277.
- 24 Secretary, call the roll.
- 25 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?

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1 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Aye.
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- 2 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
- 3 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY FARRELL: Paparian?
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: And it's obviously got
- 7 to get heard at the Board meeting. But I would like to
- 8 suggest that it go forward with a 3-0 recommendation from
- 9 this Committee, and maybe 4-0 if Roberti shows up.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Right. Very good.
- 11 Next item.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Next item is Item H.
- 13 And this is consideration of scope of work for a Native
- 14 American/local enforcement agency cross training on
- 15 Illegal Waste Dumping Contract for Fiscal Year 2001-2,
- 16 Reallocation Contract Concept 79.
- 17 And Mindy Fox will make the presentation on this
- 18 item as well as the companion item, Item I, which is the
- 19 consideration of the contractor for the contract concept.
- 20 LEA TRAINING SECTION MANAGER FOX: Good morning,
- 21 Board Members.
- 22 For the record, I'm Mindy fox. I'm with the
- 23 Permit and Enforcement Division, and I'm the Manager of
- 24 LEA Training Section.
- 25 And this scope of work is titled "The Native

- 1 American/local enforcement agency cross training on
- 2 illegal waste dumping." And the purpose of the contract
- 3 is to prevent illegal waste dumping on Native American
- 4 lands by nontribal members.
- 5 And currently many tribes don't have the
- 6 authority or the resources to effectively regulate the
- 7 conduct of nonmembers when it comes to illegal waste
- 8 dumping on their tribal lands. And this causes some
- 9 significant health and safety problems on their tribal
- 10 lands and incurs some significant cleanup costs.
- 11 Proactive enforcement through cooperative efforts
- 12 by tribes, local enforcement jurisdictions, State and
- 13 Federal agencies can help to alleviate this problem.
- In order to promote and achieve the needed
- 15 interagency cooperation and joint enforcement, this
- 16 contract provides for the native American and local
- 17 enforcement agency cross training on this topic.
- 18 And the contractor's role is to research the
- 19 issue, develop California-specific training materials on
- 20 this topic, and conduct the training events in cooperation
- 21 with the CIWMB and others that we have already identified.
- 22 In order to effectively address the illegal
- 23 dumping on tribal lands, the course material and speakers
- 24 must incorporate a multicultural perspective. And the
- 25 curriculum must be based upon awareness of native American

- 1 customs, laws, and waste management practices.
- 2 The scope of work is divided into three broad
- 3 tasks. The first is to conduct the literature review to
- 4 identify key laws on tribal, local, federal, and
- 5 California laws that impact enforcement of illegal waste
- 6 disposal on tribal lands.
- 7 Task two is to develop the training materials.
- 8 And task three is the big chunk of it; that is,
- 9 to conduct the actual training.
- 10 And we are envisioning up to ten venues, based on
- 11 need, after we identify where they should be located in
- 12 the State.
- We have currently already contacted several
- 14 different agencies that we can network with so we are not
- 15 recreating the wheel. I've talked to Deb Barnes at U.S.
- 16 EPA last week after the advisors' meeting. We have been
- 17 in contact with Indian Health Services that have done some
- 18 somewhat similar kinds of training in the past, and Desert
- 19 Land Management staff, and there are others actually.
- 20 So this will be quite a cooperative effort to
- 21 network with the folks who already are kind of in the know
- 22 and have some very, you know, good strong relationships
- 23 with tribes in California.
- 24 So that's basically in a nutshell. And I could
- 25 segue way into Item I, which is the award of the contract.

1 And you can take two separate actions at the end or choose

- 2 to act on each now.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Why don't we just go over
- 4 the scope of work. And then we can do the other.
- 5 Any questions on the scope of work?
- 6 Mr. Medina.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Yes. I'd like to, at
- 8 this time, move the scope of work that's being proposed.
- 9 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Second.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: There's been a motion on
- 11 Resolution the 2002-284 and a second.
- 12 Ms. Secretary, call the roll.
- 13 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
- 16 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY FARRELL: Paparian?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 19 And presumably that would be recommended for
- 20 consent as well.
- 21 Okay. Next will be the interagency agreement.
- 22 LEA TRAINING SECTION MANAGER FOX: Okay. This is
- 23 Committee Item I, and it's consideration of an interagency
- 24 agreement with the University of California Los Angeles as
- 25 contractor for Native American/local enforcement agency

- 1 cross training on the illegal waste dumping.
- 2 And we have been in contact with some professors
- 3 from UCLA, the Indian -- I get their name wrong -- I have
- 4 to check this out -- the American Indian Study Center at
- 5 UCLA. And these are two professors that have extensive
- 6 impeccable relationships with numerous tribes across
- 7 California. And in addition to being law professors and
- 8 working at an indian health clinic affiliated with UCLA,
- 9 they've done a variety of training across the State.
- 10 They're very interested in entering into this interagency
- 11 agreement with us, and their credentials are incredible.
- 12 We're lucky to hook up with these folks actually.
- 13 So I would like to enter into this interagency
- 14 agreement with UCLA.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Any questions?
- Mr. Medina.
- 17 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Thank you, Mr. Chair.
- 18 I would like to concur and move resolution
- 19 2002-283, and forward on consent.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: I'll second.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Actually that would be on
- 22 fiscal consent.
- 23 Secretary, call the roll.
- 24 SECRETARY FARRELL: Jones?
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Aye.

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1 SECRETARY FARRELL: Medina?
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- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 3 SECRETARY FARRELL: Paparian?
- 4 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 5 Next item --
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Just back on 71, I don't
- 7 know that I heard anyone mention consent for the scope.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay. I just missed it.
- 10 Thanks.
- Okay. That brings us to Item K, which is
- 12 consideration of remaining landfill capacity reporting.
- 13 Bridget Brown will make the presentation.
- MS. BROWN: Good morning.
- 15 Last year's California State Auditor's report
- 16 recommended that the Board update its database and require
- 17 local governments to report accurate landfill capacity
- 18 information on an annual basis in a consistent manner.
- 19 At the February 19th, 2002, Board meeting, staff
- 20 recommended drafting new regulations addressing the
- 21 collection and maintenance of remaining landfill capacity
- 22 information to be used in preparing accurate and
- 23 consistent statewide landfill capacity data.
- 24 At that time, the Board directed staff to review
- 25 data currently compiled by other Board programs to use as

- 1 possible sources of remaining landfill capacity
- 2 information and bring an update item back to the Board.
- 3 In addition, the Board directed staff to look at
- 4 the potential for using existing information in lieu of
- 5 promulgating additional regulatory requirements.
- 6 Staff obtained and reviewed documents from
- 7 several Board programs containing remaining landfill
- 8 capacity information. The documents included solid waste
- 9 facility permits, permit applications, permit reviews,
- 10 RFI's, closure plans, trust fund and enterprise fund
- 11 information, and a recent LEA survey conducted by the
- 12 Management Reporting Systems Unit.
- 13 Staff looked into the possibility of using the
- 14 Board Commission Landfill Capacity Facility Study as a
- 15 source of statewide remaining landfill capacity
- 16 information.
- 17 According to the project manager, this
- 18 information will not be available for several months. We
- 19 will review the data as soon it becomes available.
- 20 Staff determined that the best source for
- 21 obtaining remaining landfill capacity data from existing
- 22 Board programs was the permit application. One portion of
- 23 the application is intended to collect remaining landfill
- 24 capacity information and would enable staff to compile
- 25 statewide remaining landfill capacity data.

1 Unfortunately, the items on the permit

- 2 application form are not supported by clear instructions
- 3 or definitions. As written, the instructions on how to
- 4 complete the permit application are not consistent with
- 5 the application itself and may be a source of confusion
- 6 for staff, the LEA's and the landfill operators.
- 7 The regulations for the permit application and
- 8 associated instructions would need to be amended to
- 9 provide clarity and consistency between the form and the
- 10 instructions.
- 11 The Permitting and Enforcement Division is
- 12 looking at updating the solid waste facility permit
- 13 application.
- 14 Staff recommends having those sections pertaining
- 15 to remaining capacity in the permit application and at the
- 16 associated instructions changed at that time.
- 17 As part of the regulatory process staff will
- 18 provide opportunities to operators, LEAs, and other
- 19 interested parties to provide input through workshops, LEA
- 20 roundtables, the upcoming LEA conference, the CCDEH, and
- 21 operator certification training sessions.
- 22 Staff recommends that the Board revise the
- 23 existing permit application form and its instructions to
- 24 create a more consistent method of reporting and compiling
- 25 remaining landfill capacity information for California.

1 Staff is requesting the Committee place this item

- 2 on the Board's consent calendar for June.
- 3 This completes my presentation. We're available
- 4 to answer questions.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Mr. Jones.
- 6 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Mr. Paparian, just a
- 7 couple things.
- 8 First, I appreciate Mr. Paparian's efforts in
- 9 working with this thing.
- 10 But I did talk with Harry at the Water Board and
- 11 let him know what some of our problems were. And he said
- 12 it shouldn't be any issue at all getting those resolved.
- 13 So he was going to be available to direct his staff to
- 14 work with him. So -- you know who Harry is? Okay.
- And I'll leave it at that if others have
- 16 comments.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: I just want to thank the
- 18 staff for the hard work that they have done on this item.
- 19 I know it's been a very tricky area to get into. And I
- 20 think that what staff has developed is, you know, workable
- 21 and will be quite useful for us in the future.
- 22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Thank you. And we, too,
- 23 appreciate your help, Mr. Chair and Mr. Jones, in helping
- 24 us work through some of these options.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Are there any public

- 1 comments on this item?
- 2 Okay. We don't have a resolution. So in terms
- 3 of moving this forward --
- 4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: I would defer to counsel
- 5 on this. Because we crafted it as a consideration item,
- 6 but we don't have a resolution. So how this moves forward
- 7 to the Board is --
- 8 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: I guess it depends on what
- 9 the action is that the Board is taking. If they're
- 10 simply --
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: I think what we're
- 12 asking is direction to begin the development of a
- 13 regulation package. And I would suggest that -- the
- 14 Committee may want to talk a little bit about how you want
- 15 to handle the various aspects of the regulation package
- 16 development.
- 17 My recommendation would be that you give some
- 18 consideration to having the Committee and then the Board
- 19 take action to initiate a regulation package and then have
- 20 the Committee manage the various steps through that
- 21 process, such as initiating the 45-day comment period,
- 22 giving us direction on the 15-day comment period; and then
- 23 when it comes time for a final adoption of the package,
- 24 have the Committee make a recommendation to the full Board
- 25 to adopt the package.

1 At least that's one approach to dealing with

- 2 regulation packages.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. So I guess the
- 4 immediate question is, do we provide the direction from
- 5 the Committee or do we have a full Board provide the
- 6 direction.
- 7 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: No, you can go ahead as
- 8 the Committee and do that. That's all right. That's been
- 9 the way the Board has handled that, and you don't need a
- 10 resolution because you're really instructing staff to move
- 11 this ahead.
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: You know, I guess the
- 13 only question that that raises is -- and maybe it's
- 14 handled, Mr. Chairman, through your report to the full
- 15 Board that you've directed staff to undertake the
- 16 development of a regulation package, because it is a
- 17 significant commitment of staff resources and time. So I
- 18 think that's the only maybe point of difference in the
- 19 approach that Kathryn's suggesting versus my approach.
- 20 Because I would like to see the full Board aware of that,
- 21 you know, we are embarking upon a new regulation package.
- 22 So I agree that it's direction from the Committee, but I'm
- 23 looking for that link back to the Board so that they're
- 24 informed. And if it's not an action that we're asking
- 25 them to take, then perhaps it's just part of your report

- 1 of the Committee's actions.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: It would be my intention
- 3 to provide this as part of my report. But I think we can
- 4 provide the direction from here, it sounds like. So why
- 5 don't we go ahead and do that, if there is concurrence
- 6 from the Committee members.
- 7 Mr. Jones, are you fine with that?
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: I'm fine with it, Mr.
- 9 Paparian.
- 10 I do have one question though. We're talking a
- 11 lot about just adding definitions to existing boxes,
- 12 right? Now, while I understand that's going to take
- 13 regulation -- I mean did I miss something? Because I
- 14 think that's where we were at, right?
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Basically, I mean I
- 16 think we have to step back and ask ourselves, and very
- 17 deliberately, what question are we trying to answer and
- 18 does the question that's stated in the box clearly ask the
- 19 question we want to ask? So I think we have to look at
- 20 both the box and the instructions and be sure that they
- 21 are seeking the exact information that the Board needs in
- 22 order to establish and maintain a statewide or a capacity
- 23 number.
- 24 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Okay. I would suggest
- 25 that we make the direction to start this process to add

- 1 those definitions, do what we have to do.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. Mr. Medina, are you
- 3 fine with that also?
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER MEDINA: Yes, I am.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: And, Senator Roberti,
- 6 welcome.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Thank you. Sorry I'm
- 8 late.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: You've missed some of this
- 10 discussion. But basically it's to direct staff to go
- 11 forward with developing regulations to implement their
- 12 suggestions regarding reporting of landfill capacity.
- 13 While you're nodding, I assume you're okay with
- 14 that. And I'm fine with that, too. So that I think
- 15 provides the direction that you need.
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Thank you.
- 17 Could I also ask you to clarify your direction on
- 18 our first item, the one that we took up, Item J, which was
- 19 looking at the permit application submittal schedule pilot
- 20 program. Again, just looking for what the next step is,
- 21 whether this will be part of your report to the Board or
- 22 whether you would like the staff to make any kind of a
- 23 presentation at the Board meeting on that pilot program.
- 24 We agreed that we would come back to the Committee in
- 25 September, but --

1 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: No, I understand. I was

- 2 just thinking.
- 3 I'm not sure the Board -- I think the Board would
- 4 be more interested in some of the results than the details
- 5 at this point. I think they have the background in the
- 6 binder. Does that seem fine?
- 7 Okay. Before we move on.
- 8 Senator, do you have any ex partes that you'd
- 9 like to make?
- 10 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: I have one ex parte
- 11 which --
- 12 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. And then we
- 13 actually left the role open on a number of items. And I
- 14 can go through those fairly quickly.
- 15 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Please do, yes.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Okay. Agenda Item B
- 17 was -- and all these, by the way, were 3-0 votes before we
- 18 get to you.
- 19 Agenda Item B was the Western Placer Waste
- 20 Management Authority Materials Recovery Facility.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
- 23 Agenda Item D was the Allied Imperial Landfill
- 24 item.
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.

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1 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
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- 2 And Agenda Item E was the Frank Bowerman Landfill
- 3 in Orange County.
- 4 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
- 6 Agenda Item F was the Farm and Ranch Cleanup
- 7 Grant Program.
- 8 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
- 10 Agenda Item G was the adoption of the Negative
- 11 Declaration related to the putrescible regulations.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
- 14 Agenda Item H -- excuse me. Back on Agenda Item
- 15 G, there are actually two votes on that one, and let me
- 16 make that clear.
- 17 Yeah, one was the Neg Dec and one was the item.
- 18 Here we go.
- 19 The Negative Declaration was Resolution 2002-276.
- 20 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
- 22 And the regulations were 2002-277.
- 23 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
- 25 Agenda Item H was the scope of work for the

1 Native American/local enforcement agency cross training.

- 2 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
- 4 And Agenda Item I was the selection of University
- 5 of California Los Angeles as the contractor for the native
- 6 American/local enforcement agency cross training.
- 7 COMMITTEE MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Aye on that one.
- 9 Okay. So that brings -- I think that was all the
- 10 ones we had votes open on, is that right?
- 11 So this brings us to our final item on the
- 12 agenda. And why don't you go ahead.
- 13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: Okay. That final item
- 14 is Item L. And it's a discussion of future Permitting and
- 15 Enforcement Committee workshops. This is intended to be a
- 16 discussion just with the Committee members, not looking to
- 17 bring this forward to the Board this month. When the
- 18 decision was made to go to committees, one of the benefits
- 19 that at least executive staff saw in that process was that
- 20 the Committee structure would afford us an opportunity to
- 21 have some policy discussions, give us a forum to look at
- 22 things other than just processing agenda items as they
- 23 moved forward to the Board.
- 24 And so the Chairman and I have had a couple of
- 25 discussions about how we might structure the Committee's

1 time in order to both complete our work on agenda items

- 2 moving forward to the Board and having time to explore
- 3 emerging issues or other policy items.
- 4 So the purpose of this morning's discussion is to
- 5 broaden that to the other members of the Committee and to
- 6 the public to help us brainstorm a bit about the coming
- 7 several months, at least the remainder of this year, so
- 8 that staff can begin to look at the Committee's workload
- 9 with respect to the number of items that you have to
- 10 process as agenda items and then available time in our
- 11 Monday morning time slot that we might then be able to
- 12 devote to some of these discussion items. So we're
- 13 looking for your ideas and perhaps some feedback on some
- 14 initial ideas that we have talked about so that we can
- 15 begin as early as next month bringing forward to you these
- 16 types of workshops.
- 17 Some of the issue areas that we've talked about
- 18 among ourselves include things like our relationship, our
- 19 partnership with the LEA community. You know, we have the
- 20 Enforcement Advisory Council, we have the Council of
- 21 Environmental Health Directors that we meet with
- 22 regularly, and of course our ongoing relationship with our
- 23 LEAs.
- 24 We're winding down our third cycle of LEA
- 25 evaluations. And we'll shortly be going into the process

- 1 of kind of evaluating the evaluation process in
- 2 determining what it will look like for the next cycle.
- 3 So there are a number of issues related to LEAs,
- 4 our partnership with them and their evaluation process.
- 5 So we thought perhaps one workshop might look something
- 6 like a panel discussion with some of our LEA partners to
- 7 give them an opportunity outside the context of regular
- 8 agenda items to dialogue with you a bit about things that
- 9 are working, some ideas they may have for, for instance,
- 10 the pilot project that we talked about this morning. I
- 11 know some of the LEA community is present this morning,
- 12 and hopefully they'll have some suggestions for you about
- 13 how that might work.
- 14 We've also talked about doing a session on
- 15 enforcement. I reported this morning to you on things
- 16 like the CalEPA enforcement web page and some of the
- 17 activities the staff is participating in with CalEPA on
- 18 border compliance issues.
- 19 The Committee and the Board has talked on
- 20 numerous occasions about the Board's role in again our
- 21 partnership with the LEAs in enforcing State minimum
- 22 standards. So you might be interested in having a
- 23 workshop on enforcement authority, how our authority
- 24 compares with other CalEPA BDOs and others outside. And
- 25 just how we exercise our enforcement authority and track

- 1 our progress.
- 2 So those are a couple of the ideas that we've
- 3 talked about. And I hope that that frames the issue well
- 4 enough for you to begin a dialogue among yourselves and
- 5 hopefully some of the members of the audience. And then
- 6 we can determine the exact topics and perhaps even some of
- 7 the timing of prioritizing what items you might want to
- 8 consider as workshop items in the coming months.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Comments, Members? Other
- 10 ideas of possible topics to cover in the Committee?
- 11 Mr. Jones.
- 12 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: Thanks, Mr. Paparian.
- Just a couple of things. I think that -- it
- 14 would be pretty hard for the LEAs to do this, but maybe
- 15 some would have the courage. While we're talking about
- 16 the LEA evaluations, I think we need to hear from LEAs
- 17 where the roadblocks are in working with the Waste Board
- 18 staff. It is a two-way street.
- 19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: And we would welcome
- 20 that.
- 21 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: And I think that needs
- 22 to be part of it. Because there are roadblocks that go up
- 23 all the time, that when people aren't made aware of it,
- 24 they think everything is pretty chunky.
- 25 The other thing I'd like to see a discussion on

1 is CEQA and what our staff thinks. I mean we have permits

- 2 all the time that get into the operations and not into
- 3 CEQA that create, you know, major problems. And I think
- 4 there needs to be a good discussion about what is the role
- 5 of the Waste Board staff in CEQA. I mean when they start
- 6 looking at the operations of the placement of a windrow, I
- 7 think they've gone a little bit too far outside of their
- 8 scope of authority. It is not a CEQA issue.
- 9 So I mean we need to take a look at how we're
- 10 doing it, because it clearly is frustrating to not only
- 11 some Board members, but I'm sure a lot of local government
- 12 people and a lot of industry and a lot of LEAs.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: If we did something like
- 14 that, I'd almost like to see something more broad about,
- 15 you know, why an entity like ours would be applying CEQA?
- 16 What are the purposes of applying CEQA in the context of
- 17 our authority? And, you know, as well as some of the
- 18 specifics that you're talking about.
- 19 COMMITTEE MEMBER JONES: My concern is a
- 20 definition from staff as to, you know, how far they go
- 21 into the operations in determining CEQA.
- 22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR NAUMAN: CEQA had been a topic on
- 23 my short list of things to discuss with the Committee.
- I think there are some -- there's some
- 25 preliminary work that I would like to do with some of the

- 1 stakeholders prior to actually scheduling that as a
- 2 workshop with the Committee members, with something coming
- 3 out of the new strategic plan that I had identified as a
- 4 work effort that needed to be undertaken by the division.
- 5 I've had some preliminary conversations with some members
- 6 of the industry and others about how we might grapple with
- 7 that issue.
- 8 So it's certainly on my radar screen. And I
- 9 think it's just a matter of allowing me a little time to
- 10 do some initial work before we actually present a workshop
- 11 to you.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: I had a couple of other
- 13 thoughts for possible workshop topics as well.
- 14 One would be an update on the Geosentech report.
- 15 I know that there've been a couple of public presentations
- 16 in recent weeks from staff about the report. I think it
- 17 would be nice for us to get a presentation about where
- 18 things stand with the report.
- 19 The other thought I had was something that's been
- 20 in the news recently, is the issue of radioactive waste
- 21 going to landfills. This has been a touchy topic, I know.
- 22 But I think at some point it would be worth us gaining an
- 23 understanding of how we conduct load checks for
- 24 radioactive waste, specifically how the radioactive waste
- 25 monitoring system works, and whether there's anything

1 additional we want to suggest to LEAs or operators in this

- 2 area.
- 3 I have one public comment slip from Justin Malan
- 4 on this -- Justin, you have two comment slips here. One I
- 5 think is more the public -- in the public comment phase,
- 6 which we'll get to in a minute.
- 7 But on this item.
- 8 MR. MALAN: Mr. Chair, Members, thank you. Good
- 9 morning. Justin Malan with CCDH.
- 10 I just want to compliment Julie. I think she's
- 11 got some excellent suggestions for these workshops. And,
- 12 specifically, if I could just emphasize the two that she
- 13 mentioned.
- 14 I think part of the difficulty, and Board Member
- 15 Jones mentioned, that part of the difficulty the LEAs have
- 16 is defining their scope of responsibility, what they are
- 17 actually responsible for enforcing, reporting back to.
- 18 We're grappling a little bit of that with the Romero bill
- 19 right now, 1587. And I think that it's important to go
- 20 back to 1220 and look at the idea of what is an LEAs
- 21 responsibility. The whole issue of chronic violations
- 22 comes up in that. And having a workshop in that to
- 23 clarify exactly what is expected of the LEA's to enforce,
- 24 what is their job to report back to the Board is very,
- 25 very important.

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1 I think 90 percent -- from my experience, 90
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- 2 percent of the differences that emerge between the LEAs,
- 3 the staff, and the Board normally revolve around these
- 4 sort of gray areas of whether it's really our -- whether
- 5 it's the dot on the map, whether it's CEQA responsibility,
- 6 whether it's capacity, all those sort of things.
- 7 And the other thing is very much to urge a
- 8 really, really thorough discussion of the whole
- 9 enforcement package. Ms. Barnes is here from CalEPA. I
- 10 know she's been working tremendously hard to consolidate
- 11 and to coordinate the enforcement in CalEPA. We've made a
- 12 major step with the KUPA program in enforcement. And
- 13 there you have six hazardous waste programs that have been
- 14 brought together some eight years ago. But we've got
- 15 disparate administrative civil penalties for these six
- 16 programs. So one inspector goes in. And if he's doing an
- 17 underground storage tank, he or she has to follow a
- 18 different process -- enforcement process if they're doing
- 19 a generator program, for example.
- 20 We also question why do we need a separate
- 21 administrative enforcement process for an LEA program?
- 22 Why don't we use the most effective, efficient,
- 23 streamlined powerful process that we have in CalEPA, which
- 24 is essentially -- will be the KUPA process, and give the
- 25 same authority to the LEAs? We're enforcing a CalEPA

1 program. Just have it all the same so we don't have this

- 2 confusion about hearing panels and this time line and that
- 3 time line and this penalty and that penalty. It's
- 4 basically -- we would encourage consolidating CalEPA
- 5 enforcement authority across the Board with all the CalEPA
- 6 programs. And I think that will warrant a very, very good
- 7 and exciting discussion.
- 8 So I just wanted to reiterate what Julie says.
- 9 Those are great topics.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Thank you.
- 12 Mr. Mike Schmaeling.
- 13 MR. SCHMAELING: Good day. Good to see you all
- 14 again. Mike Schmaeling with the Enforcement Advisory
- 15 Council.
- The evaluation process it's worked very well in
- 17 the past. CIWMB staff has worked very closely with us,
- 18 give us all the opportunity we need to -- we welcome their
- 19 reviews. They give us plenty of time to adequately
- 20 address the issues if they find issues.
- 21 It also works both ways. They may be missing
- 22 some of our paperwork. We can help clarify their records.
- So I'm encouraged with the workshops. I mean,
- 24 it's always great to improve anyway we can. And I've
- 25 really enjoyed working with the staff.

1 There always are a lot issues that we need to

- 2 work on, interpretation of CEQA issues. The biggest one
- 3 that I've been struggling with is going from the
- 4 legislation to the regulation to the implementation
- 5 process. And with all that's been going on, I think we
- 6 need to put a lot of work into figuring out the smoothest,
- 7 best way that we can implement the regulations that are
- 8 being ratified.
- 9 Some of the issues coming up recently were, you
- 10 know -- we've got a whole bunch of new C&D facilities that
- 11 are going to be -- are they in the NDFE? Well, we can't
- 12 give them their permits until they are in that NDFE. So
- 13 how do we streamline that process.
- 14 There's several different agencies that need to
- 15 be coming together. And so what I'm thinking of here is
- 16 interagency issues, our scope of authority, and how we can
- 17 meld those interagency communications in the most
- 18 expedient way.
- 19 And then the other issues as far as scope of
- 20 authority go deal with regulatory overlap. The LEAs need
- 21 to have clear guidelines as far as what our scope of
- 22 authority is, how far can we go into water issues, how far
- 23 can we not go into water issues? Safety issues, how far
- 24 can we ride up vests and how far can we not ride up load
- 25 checking? A lot of different issues like that.

1 I look forward to working with the Board staff.

- 2 They've always been head and shoulders up above any of the
- 3 other agencies, state agencies that we deal with as LEAs.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Thank you.
- 6 Actually, I heard a couple things there that
- 7 might be worthy of short workshops. One was the issue of
- 8 where our authority ends and where the Water Board begins,
- 9 how that differentiates.
- 10 And then, you know, perhaps on the question of
- 11 load checking that was brought up, maybe that would be
- 12 part of the radioactive waste discussion. Maybe more
- 13 broadly load checking and keeping hazardous materials out
- 14 of landfills.
- 15 Any other comments?
- 16 Public comment. I have one public comment slip
- 17 from Justin Malan.
- 18 MR. MALAN: Mr. Chair, Board Members, thank you
- 19 for the indulgence. I know it's sort of out of sequence
- 20 here. But I'm going to miss a little function on the 13th
- 21 when Heidi Sanborn is going to be acknowledged for her
- 22 service to the Board. And I'm really sorry I'm going to
- 23 miss it. So I wanted to take an opportunity publicly to
- 24 thank her for all her support over the past however many
- 25 years it's been. I don't really know Heidi. But she's

1 been a great conduit, particularly with the new Board, new 2 process and everything else. She's always been tolerant enough to accept our E-mails and telephone calls and to 3 listen to the plight of the LEA's. And I'd like to publicly commend her and wish her well in her new endeavors. 6 7 Thank you. 8 (Applause.) CHAIRPERSON PAPARIAN: Thank you, Justin. That 9 10 was very nice. 11 Any other public comments? If not, this meeting is adjourned. 12 (Thereupon the California Integrated Waste 13 14 Management Board, Permitting and Enforcement 15 Committee meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.) 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23

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12	attorney for any of the parties to said meeting nor in any
13	way interested in the outcome of said meeting.
14	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
15	this 24th day of June, 2002.
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